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As Bristol Bay fishing season winds down, fishermen are packing nets, boats, and earnings. Mike Mason of KDLG reports that despite lower numbers of fish than expected, sockeye salmon prices were good and commercial canneries of all sizes were busy with the 22 million harvested. Salmon escapement goals were met on almost every river in the fishery as well, ensuring more seasons of red gold - a truly sustainable commercial enterprise.

The Pebble partnership has asked the Alaska Supreme Court to block the Save Our Salmon initiative vote in the Lake and Pen Borough in October. Pebble wants to stop any effort by local Alaskans to voice their opinion on mega developments that can adversely affect salmon runs, despite a pledge by Anglo American CEO Cynthia Carroll that the company would not develop "where people don't want us."

A new music festival, Salmonstock, got its start last weekend, bringing food, fun, and music to celebrate salmon and their economic and cultural importance in Alaska. The festival is also aimed at educating people about the risks from the proposed Pebble Mine.

Surprisingly, the Alaska Native woman starring in a series of pro-Pebble ads (who's better known as 'Pebble Girl'), says she's not sure whether she supports the mine proposal.

Here's a weekly roundup of media. For more information, go to www.SaveBristolBay.org

Bristol Bay Sockeye season comes to an End

Mike Mason, KDLG

Alaska Public Radio

The Bristol Bay Sockeye fishing season is over and it was not a year to make the fleet very happy... Click

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Pebble group tries to block opponents' land use initiative

Mary Pemberton

Anchorage Daily News, Juneau Empire, Tacoma News Tribune, and Canadian Business

Mining companies that want to develop a huge copper and gold mine near wild sockeye salmon streams are using the courts in an attempt to silence opposition to the Pebble Mine, an opponent said Tuesday...

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Pebble Partnership asked court for decision on mining initiative

Margaret Bauman

Bristol Bay Times

The Pebble Limited Partnership took further action today to try to head off an October election in the Lake and Peninsula borough that could affect development of the proposed Pebble mine... [Click here to read more](#)

Pebble Partnership Seeks Help from AK Supreme Court

Jason Lamb

KTUU

The legal battle over the highly controversial proposed Pebble Mine continues to grow. The Pebble Partnership hopes the highest court in the state will block a proposition from being on the Lake and Peninsula Borough's ballot in October... [Click here to read more](#)

First annual Salmonstock festival

Karen Garcia

Peninsula Clarion

Though the official slogan of the first annual Salmonstock festival is "Fish, Fun, and Music," Anders Gustafson says the informal mantra of his brainchild is more along the lines... [Click here to read more](#)

The Pebble Mine girl, Alaska's most unlikely celebrity

Patti Epler

Alaska Dispatch

Martina Arce might be the best known, least known person in Alaska these days. The "Pebble girl," as people tend to call her, is all over the place... [Click here to read more](#)

Salmon plan draws new foes

Andrew Seidman

Spokesman Review

A group of senators has asked the Food and Drug Administration to abandon its approval process of genetically engineered salmon as food, threatening to push legislation to strip the FDA's funding to study the fish if the agency does not comply... [Click here to read more](#)

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